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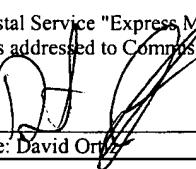
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed July 12, 2004, said period of response being extended from October 12, 2004 to January 12, 2005.

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